

CREMATION AUTHORIZATION

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OUR CREMATION CODE OF ETHICS

We believe it is your right to FULL DISCLOSURE. This means you are entitled to review the various services and merchandise options we offer to pay tribute and memorialize your loved one. We desire you be advised of any legal or policy requirements that may have an impact on the decisions you are making.

YOUR RIGHTS

- The survivors have the right to select services from our General Price List.
- The survivors have the right to view and select from a variety of cremation merchandise that is utilized prior to and during the cremation process (Cremation Container). Also, containers that provide a temporary or permanent placement for the cremated remains (Urn).
- The survivors have the right to review this Cremation Authorization with any questions answered prior to signing this form.
- The survivors have the right to be advised of various funeral home & cremation center policies and applicable legal requirements prior to finalizing the cremation arrangements.

IDENTIFICATION OF THE BODY

- When survivors are not present at the time of death and removal is completed by the funeral home, it is in the best interest of the survivors, the funeral home & crematory to ensure the correct identity of the deceased person prior to the cremation process taking place.
- The decedent identification process will be explained by the Funeral Home. The Authorizing Agent or their Personal Representative may perform the identification.
- Prior to identification generally accepted practices of mortuary science are applied for aesthetic purposes. A disinfectant cleansing of the facial area and other areas of the body is applied as deemed necessary by the funeral home representative.

UTAH STATE LAW

- The law requires that within 24 hours following death the body be cremated, buried, embalmed, or refrigerated.
- Prior to cremation, Utah law requires Medical Examiner review of all death certificates and obtaining a cremation permit. The State of Utah charges for this review and for the issuing of this permit.
- Prior to cremation, the legal requirements of processing and filing the death certificate and obtaining the cremation permit from the State of Utah usually make it necessary to refrigerate the body.

THE CREMATION PROCESS

- One body will be cremated during the cremation process.
- The cremated remains, consisting of bone fragments, will be diligently removed from the cremation chamber and pulverized in to small fragments. Because the cremation chamber is lined with porous material, it is not always possible to remove small traces of the cremated remains.
- A witness room located at the cremation center for observation by the survivors is available with a signed release form and prescheduled appointment

**CREMATION AND
DISPOSITION
AUTHORIZATION**

Cremation No. _____

Date _____

This authorization form must be completed and signed prior to the cremation. Please read it carefully and ask any questions. It is important you understand the information provided and requested in this Authorization Form. Cremation being an irreversible and final process and prior to signing this Form, it is important you understand the cremation process as described on the back cover in Section 8 of this Authorization. Our cremation specialists will answer any questions about the cremation process or the information required for this Cremation and Disposition Authorization Form.

THIS AUTHORIZATION IS NOT A CONTRACT FOR CREMATION SERVICES. A SEPARATE CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS
WILL BE REQUIRED TO PURCHASE THE SERVICES OF THE FUNERAL HOME AND/OR CREMATORY.

(PRINT all information except signatures)

1. IDENTIFICATION OF THE DECEDENT

Name of Decedent: _____ Date of Death: _____ Time: _____

Place of Death: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____ DOB: _____ S.S.#: _____

****BECAUSE CREMATION IS IRREVERSIBLE, IDENTIFICATION OF THE DECEDENT IS REQUIRED BY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS****

Initial ONE of the following:

- _____ The Authorizing Agent has viewed the remains and positively identified them as the body of the Decedent.
- _____ The Personal Representative of the Authorizing Agent has viewed the remains and positively identified them as the body of the Decedent. Name of Personal Representative: _____
- _____ The Authorizing Agent has authorized the Funeral Home to photograph the remains and the Authorizing Agent has positively identified the photograph as that of the Decedent.
- _____ The Authorizing Agent authorizes the Funeral Home to use as positive identification, the ID band, label or tag placed on the Decedent by the facility who has released and transferred care responsibility of the Decedent to the Funeral Home:
Name of Facility: _____

2. FUNERAL HOME AND CREMATORY

The Authorizing Agent authorizes those named below to carry out the directions and instructions of the Authorizing Agent(s) contained in this Authorization.

Funeral Home: Summit Cremation 2460 E. Bengal Blvd., Salt Lake City, UT 84121

Crematory: Care Center of Utah, 847 W. 2500 S., Salt Lake City, UT 84119

3. IDENTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZING AGENT

Name of Authorizing Agent: _____ Phone No: _____

Address: _____ Relationship: _____

Initial ONE of the following:

4. AUTHORITY OF AUTHORIZING AGENT (SEE #4 ON REVERSE SIDE)

As Authorized Agent, I represent that I have the right to authorize the cremation of the Decedent and I am initialing one of the following four statements

- _____ accordingly: I certify that I do not have actual knowledge of any living person who has a superior right to act as the Authorizing Agent.
- _____ There is another living person(s) listed below who has a superior or equal right to act as Authorizing Agent. That person(s) has provided me written permission to serve as Authorizing Agent.
- _____ There is another living person(s) listed below who has a superior or equal right to act as Authorizing Agent. I have made all reasonable efforts to contact that person(s), but have been unable to do so. I have no reason to believe that such person(s) would object to the cremation of the Decedent's remains.
- _____ There is another living person(s) listed below who has a superior or equal right to act as Authorizing Agent. That person(s) has confirmed to me that such person(s) refuses to make arrangements for the disposition and declines any involvement with the disposition of Decedent's remains.

Name(s) of Other Persons: _____

5. PACEMAKERS, IMPLANTS, AND RADIOACTIVE TREATMENTS (SEE #5 ON REVERSE SIDE.)

Description of Devices: _____

Initial ALL of the Following Statements that are Applicable:

- _____ The remains of the Decedent do not contain any of the Devices described in #5 on the reverse side.
- _____ The Decedent has not received radioactive treatments within the minimum waiting periods described in #5 on the reverse side.
- _____ As Authorizing Agent, I instruct the Funeral Home or Crematory to remove each Device (except for a radioactive device) listed above and to charge for its services in making or arranging for such removal. Unless indicated directly below, the Funeral Home or Crematory is to dispose of all such remaining Devices.

The Devices listed are to be removed and returned to the Authorizing Agent: _____

6. CASKET OR ALTERNATIVE CONTAINER (NO METAL CASKETS ALLOWED) (SEE #6 ON REVERSE SIDE.)

Casket or Alternative Container Selected:

7. **THE CREMATION PROCESS (SEE#7 ON REVERSE SIDE)**

INITIAL BELOW:

8. AUTHORIZATION TO CREMATE, PROCESS AND PULVERIZE

_____ As Authorizing Agent, I authorize the Funeral Home to deliver the Decedent's remains to the Crematory for the purpose of cremation. Also, I have read and understand the description of the cremation process contained in #7 on the reverse side and authorize the cremation, processing and pulverization of the remains of the Decedent.

Initial ONE of the following:

9. WITNESSES (SEE #9 ON REVERSE SIDE.)

_____ No witnesses.

_____ List of Witnesses (\$350 charge): _____

Initial ONE of the following:

10. URN (SEE #10 ON REVERSE SIDE)

_____ Urn selected by Authorizing Agent. Description: _____

11. **FINAL DISPOSITION (PLEASE INITIAL THE OPTION SELECTED AFTER READING #11 ON REVERSE SIDE.)**

Initial ONE of the following:

_____ The Funeral Home shall deliver the cremated remains of the Decedent for disposition as follows:

- ☐ Deliver or release all of the cremated remains to:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Address: _____

- ☐ Mail the cremated remains using Priority Express Service through the U.S. Postal

Services to: Name: _____

Address: _____

12. **PERSONAL PROPERTY**

All personal property and effects delivered with the remains of the Decedent to the Crematory, including jewelry, clothing, hair pieces, dental bridgework, eyeglasses, and shoes, will be destroyed in the cremation process or otherwise discarded by the Crematory, in its sole discretion, unless specific instructions for delivery to Authorizing Agent are given below.

Items to be delivered to Authorizing Agent: _____

Initial ONE of the following:

14. TIME OF CREMATION

_____ The Crematory may perform the cremation of the Decedent's remains at a time and date as its work schedule permits without any further notification to the Authorizing Agent.

_____ The Crematory is to use its best efforts to schedule the cremation in accordance with the schedule set forth below:

Date: _____ - Time: _____

15. CERTIFICATION AND INDEMNIFICATION

The Authorizing Agent acknowledges that the Funeral Home and Crematory are relying upon the representations being made by the Authorizing Agent in this authorization. The Authorizing Agent certifies that all of the information and statements contained in the Authorization are accurate and no omissions of any material fact have been made. The Authorizing Agent agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Funeral Home and the Crematory, their officers, directors, employees and agents from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action or suits of any kind or nature whatsoever, including, but not limited to, any legal fees arising out of or resulting from the Funeral Home's and the Crematory's reliance on or performance consistent with the directions, statements, representatives and agreements contained in the Authorization.

Executed at _____ this _____ day of _____ 20

Signature of Authorizing Agent: _____ Relationship: _____

Witness: _____

4. AUTHORIZING AGENT PRIORITY LIST OF THOSE WHO CAN AUTHORIZE A CREMATION UNDER UTAH LAW IN ORDER OF PRIORITY (1 THRU 9)

1) The decedent may authorize his or her own cremation by providing written cremation directions which include the name and address of the decedent, the date the written directions were prepared and signed, the signatures of the decedent and the signature of at least two unrelated individuals who witnessed the signing of the form. The written directions may also be included in a will of the decedent. 2) The decedent during his or her lifetime may sign a written instrument which designates a person to arrange the cremation of the decedent's remains. The written instrument must contain the name and address of the decedent, the name and address of the person designated to arrange the cremation, the date the written instrument was prepared and signed, the signature of the decedent and the signatures of at least two unrelated individuals who witnessed the signing of the form by the decedent. 3) The surviving legally recognized spouse of the decedent. 4) The surviving child or the majority of the surviving children of the decedent over the age of 18. 5) The unanimous consent of the surviving parent, parents or lawful custodian of the decedent. 6) The person or persons in the degree of succession under Utah Title 75, Chapter 2, intestate succession and wills. 7) Any public official charged with arranging the disposition of deceased persons. 8) A person or persons whom the funeral service director reasonably believes is entitled to control the disposition. 9) In the absence of any persons under sections 1 through 8 above, any person willing to assume the right and duty to control the disposition.

5. PACEMAKERS, IMPLANTS, AND RADIOACTIVE TREATMENTS

IMPLANTS: Pacemakers, defibrillators, other implanted battery-powered devices may create a hazardous condition when placed in the cremation chamber and subjected to heat. Silicone implants may also damage crematory equipment and adversely impact the recovery and processing of cremated remains. As Authorizing Agent, I have listed #5 on the reverse side all devices which may have been implanted in or attached to the Decedent. Examples of implanted medical devices include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Pacemakers
- Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillators (ICDs)
- Cardiac Resynchronization Therapy Devices (CRTDs)
- Silicone Implants
- Any other battery powered implant
- Hydrocephalus Programmable Shunts
- Fixion Nails
- Implantable Drug Pumps
- Neurostimulators (including for pain and functional electrical stimulation)
- Bone Growth Stimulators

RADIOACTIVE TREATMENTS: Remains that contain radioactive seeds used in brachytherapy or that have been treated with nuclear medicine may only be safely cremated if sufficient time has elapsed from the time of the latest treatment. Below are a list of treatments and the minimum waiting period between the date of treatment and the date of cremation. Check the box on the front of this page in Section 5 only if the decedent has not undergone radioactive treatment or, if the decedent has undergone treatment and the waiting period for the treatment has expired.

<u>Treatment</u>	<u>Minimum Waiting Period Since Treatment</u>
Iodine-125 Brachytherapy	2 Years
Palladium-103 Brachytherapy	3 Months
Strontium-89 Injections	1 Year
Yttrium-90 Injections	6 Weeks
Phosphorus-32 Injections	5 Months
Iodine-131 Injections	2 Months
Samarium-153 Injections	3 Weeks
Lutetium-177 Injections	3 Months
Radium-223 Injections	3 Months

6. CASKET OR ALTERNATIVE CONTAINER

The remains are to be cremated in a combustible casket or alternative container that is capable of being completely closed, is resistant to leakage or spillage, is sufficiently rigid to be handled easily, and provides protection for the health and safety of Crematory and Funeral Home personnel. The Crematory is authorized to inspect the casket or alternative container, including opening it if necessary. In the event that the casket or container does not meet the above requirements, the Crematory will notify the Authorizing Agent. Many caskets that are comprised primarily of combustible material also contain some exterior parts (decorative handles or rails) that are not combustible and that may cause damage to the cremation equipment. As Authorizing Agent, I authorize the Crematory, in its discretion, to remove and discard the non-combustible materials. I understand that some crematories will not accept metal or fiberglass caskets. I further understand that the casket or alternative container will be consumed as part of the cremation process.

7. THE CREMATION PROCESS

The cremation of the decedent's remains may take place before or after ceremonies to memorialize the decedent. Cremation is performed to prepare the remains of the decedent for final disposition. It is carried out by placing the decedent's remains in the casket or alternative container, which is then placed into a cremation chamber or retort where they are subjected to intense heat and flame. All cremations are performed individually. During the cremation process, it may be necessary to open the cremation chamber and reposition the remains of the decedent in order to facilitate a complete and thorough cremation. Through the use of suitable fuel, the incineration of the container and its contents is accomplished and all substances are consumed or driven off, except bone fragments (calcium compounds) and metal (including dental gold and silver and other non-human materials) as the temperature is not sufficient to consume them.

Due to the nature of the cremation process, any personal possessions or valuable materials, such as gold or jewelry (as well as any body prostheses or dental bridgework) that are left with the remains and not removed from the casket or container prior to cremation may be destroyed or if not destroyed, will be disposed of by the crematory. The Authorizing Agent understands that arrangements must be made with the funeral home to remove any such possessions or valuables prior to the time that the remains of the decedent are transported to the crematory.

Following a cooling period, the cremated remains, which will normally weigh several pounds in the case of an average-size adult, are then swept or raked from the cremation chamber. Although the Crematory will take reasonable efforts to remove all of the cremated remains from the cremation chamber, it is impossible to remove all of them, as some dust and other residue from the process will be left behind. In addition, while every effort will be made to avoid commingling, inadvertent and incidental commingling of minute particles of cremated remains from the residues of previous cremations is a possibility and the Authorizing Agent understand and accepts this fact.

After the cremated remains are removed from the cremation chamber, all non-combustible material (insofar as possible) such as dental bridgework and hinges, latches, nails and screws from the container will be separated and removed from the human bone fragments by visible or magnetic selection. The Crematory is authorized to dispose of these materials with similar materials from other cremations in a non-recoverable manner, so that only human bone fragments will remain.

When the cremated remains are removed from the cremation chamber, the skeletal remains often will contain recognizable bone fragments. Unless otherwise specified, after the bone fragments have been separated from the other material, they will be mechanically pulverized. The process of crushing or grinding may cause incidental commingling of the remains with the residue from the processing of previously cremated remains. These granulated particles of unidentifiable dimensions, which are virtually unrecognizable as human remains, will then be placed into a designated container.

9. WITNESSES

Witnessing a cremation can be an emotional experience. Witnesses are assuming the risks involved and fully release the Funeral Home and Crematory from any liability. To the extent permitted by the Crematory, the persons listed on the reverse side are authorized to be present at the cremation room prior to and during the cremation of the Decedent's remains and during the removal of the cremated remains from the cremation chamber. If you desire witnesses, you must initial #9 on the reverse side and list their names.

10. URN OR TEMPORARY CONTAINER

After the cremated remains have been processed, they will be placed in the urn listed on the reverse side or, if an urn is not provided to the crematory, then in a temporary utility container provided by the crematory. The authorizing agent acknowledges that it is impossible to recover all of the dust and residue from the cremation and processing.

In the case of an adult, it is recommended that the urn or temporary utility container be a minimum size of 200 cubic inches. In the event the urn or temporary container is insufficient to accommodate all of the cremated remains, the excess will be placed by the Crematory in a secondary container. This secondary container will be kept with the urn of the temporary container and handled according to the final disposition instruction set forth in section 11 below; provided, however, that the secondary container may not be designed for shipping. All urns or containers provided to the funeral home or crematory must be appropriate for shipping. The authorizing agent directs the Crematory to use the specified urn or container listed in #10 on the reverse side.

11. FINAL DISPOSITION

Following the cremation, the authorizing agent directs the Crematory and/or Funeral Home to undertake the actions set forth on the reverse side to arrange the final disposition of the cremated remains of the decedent. If the cremated remains are shipped at any time, the Authorizing Agent directs that the Crematory or Funeral Home utilize Priority Express Service with a return receipt through the U.S. Postal Service. **In selecting shipment by the U.S. Postal Service, the Authorizing Agent acknowledges and assumes the risk that the cremated remains may be lost or damaged during shipment and releases the Funeral Home and the Crematory from any liability therefor.**

The Authorizing Agent understands if no arrangements for final disposition, release or shipment of the cremated remains are made in the Authorization, the Crematory and/or Funeral Home shall hold the cremated remains for 30 days after cremation. If during that 30 day period the cremated remains are not retrieved by the person designated above to receive them or by the Authorizing Agent, or if arrangements for their final disposition are not made, then the Crematory or Funeral Home may return the cremated remains to the Authorizing Agent at the address listed in Section #3. In the alternative, if no arrangements for the final disposition of the cremated remains have been made within 60 days after the cremation and if the Authorizing Agents has not taken delivery of or caused the delivery of the cremated remains, or in the event the arrangements of the final disposition have not been carried out within the 60 day period because of the inaction of a party other than the Crematory or Funeral Home, then the Crematory or Funeral Home may dispose of the cremated remains in any lawful manner permitted under state law for abandoned cremated remains. The Authorizing Agent shall be liable for the cost of such final disposition and shall reimburse the Crematory or Funeral Home immediately upon receipt of an invoice.